EMPLOYEE TRAINING RECORD

TRAINING TITLE Handling and Disposal of Hypodermic Needles

KEY TEACHING POINTS

HAZARDS

- Punctures
- Infectious diseases/substances
- Body wastes
- Personal and public contact
- Environmental protection

PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT

- Hard hat
- Eve protection
- Gloves
- Safety boots/shoes

SAFE OPERATING PROCEDURES

- Review safe practice rules for applicable equipment (including rental equipment) and perform pre-operational checks.
- Under no circumstances should you pick up discarded hypodermic needles with your hands. Use a litter-picker or other device. Needles can puncture leather gloves.
- Place hypodermic needles in a leak-proof, rigid, puncture resistant container ("Sharps Container" provided by your supervisor). YOU MAY ACCIDENTLY PUNCTURE YOUR HAND. Place the open container on the ground before attempting to put the needle inside the sharps container. Containers must be labeled as a biohazard.
- Do not carry or store needles in the cab of your vehicle or anywhere where they may accidently come in contact with another person, your clothes or foodstuffs.
- Store containers with used needles in secure areas where contact will be avoided. If disposal by salvage company pickup is not allowed in your area.
- If you feel you may have come in contact with any item that may be infectious, notify your supervisor. Wash the contaminated area immediately with soap and water and disinfect with chlorine bleach. Towelette preps in the first aid kit may be used to disinfect the hands. Wash thoroughly with clean water and soap before eating, drinking, smoking, or using the restroom.

TEST ANSWERS QUESTION **TRUE FALSE** 1 Review safe practice rules for applicable equipment (including rental equipment) and perform pre-operational checks. 2 Under no circumstances should you pick up discarded hypodermic needles with your hands. Use a litter-picker or other device. 3 Do not carry or store needles in the cab of your vehicle or anywhere where they may accidently come in contact with another person, your clothes or foodstuffs. 4 Needles can't puncture leather gloves. 5 Store containers with used needles in secure areas where contact will be avoided. **EMPLOYEE'S NAME EMPLOYEE'S SIGNATURE** DATE SUPERVISOR'S NAME SUPERVISOR'S SIGNATURE DATE

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